

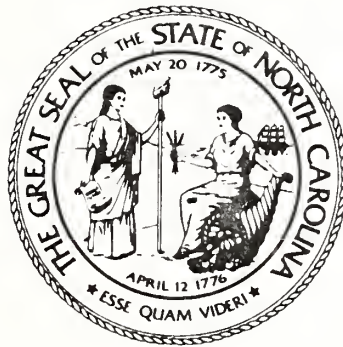
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INTRODUCTION

The North Carolina Legislative Research Commission, as an interim study organization of the General Assembly, studies issues as directed by the preceding legislative session or the Commission Chairmen. These studies are done by assigned interim study committees. Study committees may find that legislation is necessary to address the needs found. These committees endorse various draft bills; the complete text of these bills may be found in the individual interim study committee reports. The purpose of this report is to indicate the results of the legislative recommendations of the committees which were to report to the 1987 General Assembly.

In the "Activity Summaries by Study" section, legislative recommendations are grouped by committee. The recommendations are further divided into those bills which were not introduced and those which were introduced. Bills introduced and ratified are designated by **bold faced type**. Bills which were introduced and not ratified carry no special type of designation.

While the text of each introduced bill is the same as the text of each study committee recommendation, the text of the ratified bill may differ from the study committee recommendation. When companion bills were introduced in both houses based on single study committee recommendations, the companion bills are counted as one bill for statistical purposes. If one bill was ratified and one was not, this counts as one ratification; similarly, if neither bill was ratified, this counts as one unratified bill.

In the "Statistics" section of this report the numbers of bills recommended; recommended but not introduced; recommended and introduced; ratified; and not ratified are listed by study committee, then totaled. The Legislative Research Commission study committees recommended 90 bills to the 1987 Session. Of the 90 bills recommended, 84% (76 of 90) bills were actually introduced. Of the introduced bills, 70% (53 of 76) were ratified in some form. To compare these figures with the 1985 and 1986 Regular Sessions of the General Assembly, of the bills recommended by the study committees, 86% (101 of 117) were actually introduced. Of those introduced in the 1985 and 1986 Regular Sessions, 74% (75 of 101) were ratified in some form.

STATISTICS

Study	Total # Bills Recommended by Committee	Bills Not Introduced	Bills Recommended/ Introduced	Bills Recommended/ Ratified	Bills Not Ratified
Adolescent Pregnancy and Premature Births	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Adolescent Sexuality Teaching	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Aging	11	0	11	7	4
Bail Bondsmen and Bail Bond Forfeiture and Pretrial Release	1	0	1	1	0
Campaign and Election Procedures	15	0	15	11	4
Child Abuse Testimony and Child Protection	3	3	0	N/A	N/A
Child Support	2	0	2	2	0
Coastal Water Quality Classifications	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Community Service Alternative Punishment, Restitution, and Inmate Work Release Centers	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
County Commissioners' Authority Over Local Boards	1	0	1	1	0
Haw River and Jordan Reservoir Water Quality	3	0	3	1	2
High-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal	1	1	0	N/A	N/A
Inmate Substance Abuse Therapy Program	1	0	1	1	0

Study	Total # Bills Recommended by Committee	Bills Not Introduced	Bills Recommended/ Introduced	Bills Recommended/ Ratified	Bills Not Ratified
Interest Rate Regulation	1	0	1	1	0
Itinerant Merchants	2	0	2	2	0
Legislative Ethics and Lobbying	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Life Care Arrangements	1	0	1	1	0
Local Government Financing	2	1	1	0	1
Long-Term Health Care Insurance	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Low-Level Radioactive Waste Regulation	3	0	3	3	0
Manufactured Housing Zoning	1	0	1	1	0
Mental Patient Commitments	3	3	0	N/A	N/A
Municipal Incorporations	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Outdoor Advertising	2	1	1	0	1
Premium Tax Rate on Insurance Companies	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Preventative Medicine	2	0	2	1	1
Rental Referral Agencies	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Revenue Laws	17	0	17	11	6
School Discipline	1	0	1	1	0

Study	Total # Bills Recommended by Committee	Bills Not Introduced	Bills Recommended/ Introduced	Bills Recommended/ Ratified	Bills Not Ratified
School Finance Act	5	1	4	2	2
State Infrastructure Needs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
State Investments with South African Investors	1	0	1	1	0
State Personnel System	3	1	2	1	1
Stun Guns	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Superintendent of DPI and State Board of Education	1	1	0	N/A	N/A
Underground Storage Tanks and Groundwater Hazards and Water Pollution	1	0	1	0	1
Used Tire and Waste Oil Disposal	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Veterans Cemeteries	2	1	1	1	0
Voting Machines Standardization	4	1	3	3	0
TOTALS	90	14	76	53	23

ACTIVITY SUMMARIES BY STUDY

Adolescent Pregnancy and Premature Births

The Committee did not report to the 1987 Session.

Adolescent Sexuality Teaching

The Committee did not report to the 1987 Session.

Aging

Bills recommended and introduced

CONTINUE THE WORK OF THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION'S STUDY OF THE PROBLEMS OF AGING. (H.J.R. 156/Edwards, S.J.R. 54/Hunt, W.; study incorporated in HB 1, Sec. 2.1(4), Ratified - Ch. 873)

PROVIDE A PARTIAL EXCLUSION FROM INCOME FOR RETIREMENT PAY RECEIVED BY AN ELDERLY TAX PAYER FROM A PRIVATE EMPLOYER RETIREMENT PROGRAM. (HB 155 - Edwards)

PROVIDE THAT NURSING HOME AND DOMICILIARY HOME COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS MAY BE DEFENDED PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 143 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES. (HB 663 - Wiser, Ratified - Ch. 682)

PERMIT THOSE ELDERLY OR DISABLED INDIVIDUALS WHOSE RESIDENCE QUALIFIES FOR THE "HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION" TO DEFER PAYMENT OF AD VALOREM TAX ON THIS PROPERTY UNTIL THE PROPERTY IS TRANSFERRED. (HB 451 - Locks, SB 59 - Richardson)

PROVIDE FOR AN ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM TO BE ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. (HB 222 - Anderson, SB 58 - Hunt, W.)

ESTABLISH A STUDY COMMISSION ON ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE. (HB 293 - Locks, SB 56 - Hunt, W.)

APPROPRIATE \$60,000 FOR THE NORTH CAROLINA SENIOR GAMES. (SB 57/Hunt, W.; incorporated in HB 1515, Sec. 60, Ratified - Ch. 830)

APPROPRIATE \$300,000 IN EACH YEAR OF THE 1987-89 BIENNIUM FOR RESPITE CARE. (HB 341/Wiser; incorporated in HB 1514, Sec. 101, Ratified - Ch. 738)

PROVIDE FOR AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE PREMIUM DISCOUNTS FOR CERTAIN PERSONS WHO COMPLETE ACCIDENT PREVENTION COURSES. (HB 1158 - Anderson, Ratified - Ch. 869)

AMEND THE NURSING HOME PATIENTS' BILL OF RIGHTS. (HB 1057 - Locks, Ratified - Ch. 600)

PROVIDE FUNDS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS' CENTERS. (HB 294/Locks; incorporated in HB 1515, Sec. 59, Ratified - Ch. 830)

Bail Bondsmen, Bail Bond Forfeiture, and Pretrial Release

Bills recommended and introduced

AMEND THE STATUTES RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL BAIL BONDSMEN AND RUNNERS. (HB 137 - Bowman, Ratified - Ch. 728)

Campaign and Election Procedures

Bills recommended and introduced

PROVIDE FOR THE GOVERNOR AND COUNCIL OF STATE TO BE ELECTED IN 1998 AND QUADRENNIALLY THEREAFTER, WITH A ONE-TIME SIX- YEAR TERM ELECTION IN 1992 SO AS TO PROVIDE TRANSITION. (SB 346 - Martin, W.)

PROVIDE FOR PURGING THE VOTER REGISTRATION OF PERSONS AFTER EACH NON-PRESIDENTIAL GENERAL ELECTION WHO FAILED TO VOTE IN THE SECOND PRECEDING PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION, AND MAKE IT EASIER FOR PERSONS TO REMAIN VOTERS IF THEY FAIL TO VOTE. (SB 483 - Conder)

ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT THE COUNTY BOARD OF ELECTIONS MUST APPROVE THE WITHDRAWAL OF ANY CANDIDATE IN A SINGLE COUNTY ELECTION. (SB 482 - Conder, Ratified - Ch. 526)

ALLOW CURBSIDE VOTING DURING THE ENTIRE TIME THE POLLS ARE OPEN, SO AS TO COMPLY WITH THE FEDERAL VOTING ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED ACT. (HB 494 - Crawford, J., Ratified - Ch. 300)

REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT AN ABSENTEE BALLOT BE NOTARIZED AND SUBSTITUTE A REQUIREMENT THAT IT BE WITNESSED BY AT LEAST TWO PERSONS. (HB 985 - Hunter, Ratified - Ch. 583)

PROVIDE FOR CONTINUED COMPLIANCE WITH THE FEDERAL VOTING ACCESSIBILITY FOR THE ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED ACT. (HB 549 - Kennedy, Ratified - Ch. 465)

PERMIT VOTERS TO REPORT CHANGES OF ADDRESS WITHIN THE COUNTY BY POSTCARD. (SB 348 - Martin, W., Ratified - Ch. 549)

PROVIDE THAT ON GENERAL ELECTION BALLOTS, NAMES IN MULTI-SEAT RACES ARE PRINTED ON THE BALLOT WITHIN A POLITICAL PARTY IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER. (HB 548 - Kennedy, Ratified - Ch. 580)

CLARIFY THE POWER OF COUNTY BOARDS OF ELECTIONS TO HOLD REQUIRED MEETINGS FOR APPROVAL OF ABSENTEE BALLOTS AT ALTERNATE TIMES. (SB 347 - Martin, W., Ratified - Ch. 485)

CLARIFY WHEN SEVENTEEN YEAR OLDS CAN REGISTER TO VOTE FOR THE PARTY PRIMARY ELECTION. (HB 495 - Crawford, J., Ratified - Ch. 457)

PROVIDE FOR CONTINUING PARTICIPATION IN THE 1990 REDISTRICTING DATA PROGRAM OF THE U.S. BUREAU OF THE CENSUS. (SB 416 - Cobb, Ratified - Ch. 715)

PROVIDE FOR STANDARDIZATION OF CRIMINAL PENALTIES FOR ELECTION LAW VIOLATIONS. (HB 1071 - Miller, Ratified - Ch. 565)

BRING NORTH CAROLINA INTO COMPLIANCE WITH A COURT DECISION CONCERNING STRAIGHT-TICKET VOTING. (HB 858 - Miller)

PROVIDE A PROCEDURE FOR COUNTING WRITE-IN BALLOTS IN VOTING SYSTEMS WHERE BALLOTS ARE ELECTRONICALLY COUNTED. (HB 482 - Hunter)

ALLOW FOR RECOUNTS IN PRIMARIES AND ELECTIONS WHERE THE MARGIN IS LESS THAN ONE PERCENT. (HB 457 - Hunter, Ratified - Ch. 642)

Child Abuse Testimony and Child Protection

Bills recommended but not introduced

AMEND THE SPEEDY TRIAL LAW TO REQUIRE A JUDGE TO CONSIDER ADDITIONAL FACTORS WHEN GRANTING A CONTINUANCE.

APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE OF THE COURTS FOR THE PURCHASE OF ANATOMICALLY CORRECT DOLLS.

CONTINUING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION CHILD ABUSE TESTIMONY AND CHILD PROTECTION STUDY.

Child Support

Bills recommended and introduced

ESTABLISH A COMMISSION ON CHILD SUPPORT. (HB 582/Easterling; study incorporated in HB 1, Sec. 2.1(47C), Ratified – Ch. 873); SB 386 – Marvin

CLARIFY PROCEDURES FOR IMPLEMENTING INCOME WITHHOLDING PURSUANT TO A SUPPORTING PARTY'S REQUEST. (SB 11 – Marvin, Ratified – Ch. 60)

Coastal Water Quality

The Committee made a number of recommendations but proposed no legislation for consideration by the 1987 Session.

Community Service Alternative Punishment, Restitution, and Inmate Work Release Centers

The Committee made a number of recommendations but proposed no legislation for consideration by the 1987 Session.

County Commissioners' Authority Over Local Boards

Bills recommended and introduced

INCREASE THE POPULATION CRITERION FOR COUNTIES THAT SEEK TO EXPAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' AUTHORITY OVER LOCAL BOARDS. (HB 246 – Holroyd, Ratified – Ch. 217)

Haw River and Jordan Reservoir Water Quality

Bills recommended and introduced

INCREASE APPLICATION FEES FOR POLLUTION CONTROL PERMITS, AND TO AUTHORIZE AN ADDITIONAL FEE FOR GRANTING POLLUTION CONTROL PERMITS. (HB 93 – Hackney)

REQUIRE A BOND OR OTHER COLLATERAL AS A CONDITION TO ISSUE A PERMIT FOR THE OPERATION OF TREATMENT WORKS. (HB 94 – Hackney, Ratified – Ch. 767)

PROVIDE THAT A SANITARY LANDFILL MAY NOT BE LOCATED WITHIN 2500 FEET OF A MAJOR RIVER OR A MAJOR TRIBUTARY. (HB 95 – Hackney)

High-Level Radioactive Waste Disposal

Bills recommended but not introduced

STATING NORTH CAROLINA'S OPPOSITION TO THE SELECTION OF AREAS WITHIN THE STATE FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE SITING OF A HIGH- LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE REPOSITORY PURSUANT TO THE NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT OF 1982; AND URGING CONGRESS TO REPEAL THE PROVISIONS OF THE NUCLEAR WASTE POLICY ACT OF 1982 REGARDING THE SITE-SELECTION WORK ON A SECOND HIGH-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE REPOSITORY.

Inmate Substance Abuse Therapy Program

Bills recommended and introduced

ESTABLISH A SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAM FOR INMATES AND TO ESTABLISH A SUBSTANCE ABUSE ADVISORY COUNCIL. (HB 563/Holt, SB 371/Plyler; incorporated in HB 1514, Sec. 111, Ratified - Ch. 738)

Interest Rate Regulation

Bills recommended and introduced

REPLACE CHAPTER 24 OF THE GENERAL STATUTES WITH A NEW CHAPTER REGULATING INTEREST. (SB 203/Johnson, Joe; study incorporated in HB 1, Sec. 2.1(34), Ratified - Ch. 873)

Itinerant Merchants

Bills recommended and introduced

CLARIFY THE PRIVILEGE LICENSE TAX ON PEDDLERS, ITINERANT MERCHANTS, AND FLEA MARKET OPERATORS. (SB 26 - Ezzell, Ratified - Ch. 213); HB 28 - Beall
REGULATING ITINERANT MERCHANTS. (HB 27 - Beall, Ratified Ch. 708); SB 25 - Ezzell

Legislative Ethics and Lobbying

The Committee did not report to the 1987 Session.

Life Care Arrangements

Bills recommended and introduced

REQUIRE ADEQUATE DISCLOSURE BY CONTINUING CARE FACILITIES. (SB 78 - Speed, Ratified - Ch. 83); HB 117 - Bowman

Local Government Financing

Bills recommended and introduced

AUTHORIZE CITIES AND COUNTIES TO LEVY OCCUPANCY TAXES. (SB 490 - Rauch)

Bills recommended but not introduced

AUTHORIZE COUNTIES TO LEVY A SUPPLEMENTAL TAX ON INSTRUMENTS CONVEYING REAL PROPERTY.

Long-Term Health Care Insurance

The Committee did not meet again after the 1986 Session.

Low-Level Radioactive Waste Regulation

Bills recommended and introduced

AMEND THE POWERS OF THE RADIATION PROTECTION COMMISSION TO PROVIDE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF CRITERIA AND STANDARDS FOR LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE FACILITIES. (HB 35 – Mavretic, Ratified – Ch. 850)

AMEND THE LICENSING PROCESS FOR A LOW-LEVEL RADIOACTIVE WASTE FACILITY BY FIRST REQUIRING THE APPLICANT TO SATISFY THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES OF HIS FINANCIAL AND TECHNICAL CAPABILITIES. (SB 47 – Tally, Ratified – Ch. 24); HB 67 – Hightower

PROHIBIT SHALLOW LAND BURIAL OF RADIOACTIVE WASTE AND TO REQUIRE ENGINEERED BARRIERS AT ANY NEAR-SURFACE DISPOSAL FACILITY. (SB 48 – Tally, Ratified – Ch. 633); HB 69 – Hightower

Manufactured Housing Zoning

Bills recommended and introduced

PROMOTE THE USE OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING AND TO PROVIDE FOR FAIR ZONING REGULATION OF RESIDENTIAL MANUFACTURED HOMES AND FOR TAXATION OF MANUFACTURED HOMES AS REAL PROPERTY. (HB 507 – Church, Ratified – Ch. 805); SB 306 – Plyler

Mental Patient Commitments

Bills recommended but not introduced

GIVE NOTICE TO TRIAL JUDGE OF CIVIL COMMITMENT HEARING OF DEFENDANT FOUND NOT GUILTY BY REASON OF INSANITY OR INCAPABLE OF PROCEEDING.

GIVE NOTICE TO NEXT OF KIN AND PETITIONER BEFORE RELEASE OF INVOLUNTARILY COMMITTED PERSON.

ALLOW THE PHYSICIAN'S EXAMINATION IN AN INVOLUNTARY COMMITMENT PROCEEDING TO PRECEDE THE ISSUANCE OF A CUSTODY ORDER.

Municipal Incorporations

The Committee did not meet after the 1986 Short Session.

Outdoor Advertising

Bills recommended and introduced

INCREASE CERTAIN RESTRICTIONS ON OUTDOOR ADVERTISING ALONG THE INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS, FEDERAL-AID PRIMARY HIGHWAYS, AND SECONDARY ROADS. (SB 721 – Thomas, R. P.)

Bills recommended but not introduced

CLARIFY THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN STATE AND LOCAL REGULATION OF OUTDOOR ADVERTISING ALONG INTERSTATE AND FEDERAL-AID PRIMARY HIGHWAYS.

Premium Tax Rate on Insurance Companies

The Committee did not report to the 1987 Session.

Preventative Medicine

Bills recommended and introduced

ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE HEALTH PROMOTION AND DISEASE PREVENTION PROGRAM. (HB 143/Enloe, SB 95/Martin, W.; incorporated in HB 1514, Sec. 95 and HB 1515, Sec. 28, Ratified - Ch. 738 and Ch. 830)

AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY REIMBURSEMENT FOR PREVENTATIVE HEALTH CARE. (HB 1020 - Enloe, SB 698 - Martin, W.)

Rental Referral Agencies

The Committee did not meet again after the 1986 Session.

Revenue Laws

Bills recommended and introduced

REPEAL OBSOLETE LOCAL ACTS CONCERNING PROPERTY TAXES. (SB 22 - Guy, Ratified - Ch. 602)

MAKING ADVERTISING AGENCIES LIABLE FOR SALES TAX ON ALL ITEMS PURCHASED BY THEM AND EXCLUDING ITEMS PRODUCED BY ADVERTISING AGENCIES FROM SALES TAX, THEREBY ENSURING THAT ADVERTISING SERVICES ARE NOT SUBJECT TO SALES TAX. (HB 11 - Lilley)

ELIMINATE SEASONAL PRIVILEGE LICENSES. (SB 17 - Guy, Ratified - Ch. 190)

PERMIT ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSEES WHO ARE REQUIRED TO FURNISH A BOND TO PLEDGE GOVERNMENT BONDS AS COLLATERAL RATHER THAN OBTAIN A BOND FROM A CORPORATE SURETY. (SB 19 - Guy, Ratified - Ch. 18)

MAKE THE LAW CONCERNING STATE PRIVILEGE LICENSE TAXES ON GUN DEALERS MORE EQUITABLE. (HB 25 - Lilley, Ratified - Ch. 554)

TRANSFER THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ISSUING BINGO LICENSES AND ESTABLISHING AUDIT PROCEDURES FOR BINGO ACCOUNTS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE. (HB 10 - Lilley, Ratified Ch. 866)

ELIMINATE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A NONRESIDENT RETAIL OR WHOLESALE MERCHANT REGISTER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE FOR SALES TAX PURPOSES. (SB 20 - Guy, Ratified - Ch. 27)

CLARIFY THE SALES TAX EXEMPTION FOR MATERIALS USED TO CONSTRUCT OR REPAIR CERTAIN FARM BUILDINGS. (SB 16 - Guy)

CONFORM THE PENALTIES FOR LATE PAYMENTS OF INHERITANCE TAX TO THOSE APPLICABLE TO LATE PAYMENTS OF ALL OTHER TAXES. (HB 9 - Lilley, Ratified - Ch. 615)

MAKING TECHNICAL AND CLARIFYING AMENDMENTS TO THE REVENUE LAWS. (SB 417 - Guy, Ratified - Ch. 804)

UPDATE THE REFERENCE TO THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE USED IN DETERMINING CERTAIN TAXABLE INCOME AND TAX EXEMPTIONS, AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CHANGES IN THE INCOME TAX STATUTES NECESSITATED BY THE TAX REFORM ACT OF 1986. (HB 24 - Lilley, Ratified - Ch. 778)

CONFORM THE TREATMENT OF ALL INCOME TAX CREDITS RECEIVED BY A CORPORATION TO THE TREATMENT OF AN INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR PROPERTY TAXES. (SB 21 – Guy, Ratified – Ch. 89)

CONVERT THE SALES TAX ON CERTAIN UTILITY SERVICES TO A GROSS RECEIPTS TAX. (HB 7 – Lilley)

EXPAND THE INCOME TAX DEDUCTION FOR EXPENSES TO MAINTAIN A PARENT. (SB 15 – Guy)

EXPAND THE PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION FOR GOODS STORED IN A PUBLIC WAREHOUSE AND TO GRANT A SIMILAR EXEMPTION FOR GOODS STORED IN A PRIVATE WAREHOUSE. (HB 26 – Lilley)

CONFORM STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX LAW ON DEPRECIATION ALLOWANCES TO FEDERAL LAW BY PERMITTING TAXPAYERS TO EXPENSE CERTAIN DEPRECIABLE BUSINESS ASSETS. (HB 8 – Lilley)

AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO CONTINUE TO STUDY THE REVENUE LAWS OF NORTH CAROLINA. (H.J.R. 13/Lilley; study incorporated in HB 1, Sec. 2.1(1), Ratified – Ch. 873)

School Discipline

Bills recommended and introduced

MANDATE THAT LOCAL BOARDS OF EDUCATION ADOPT POLICIES REGULATING THE USE OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT IN THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. (HB 231 – Colton, Ratified – Ch. 572)

School Finance Act

Bills recommended and introduced

ESTABLISH STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE UNIFORM SYSTEM OF FREE PUBLIC SCHOOLS, WHICH WAS CONSIDERED BY THE 1985 GENERAL ASSEMBLY, SHOULD BE ENACTED BY THE 1987 GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITH TWO AMENDMENTS – THE BILL SHOULD BE AMENDED (i) TO GIVE THE STATE FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING ALL SCHOOL MAINTENANCE AND CUSTODIAL PERSONNEL AND (ii) TO GIVE THE COUNTIES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR FUNDING ALL SCHOOL UTILITY COSTS EFFECTIVE WITH THE 1987–88 FISCAL YEAR. (HB 390 – Fussell, SB 205 – Warren, Robert)

ESTABLISH A SPECIAL FUND TO MEET CRITICAL SCHOOL FACILITY NEEDS. (SB 917 – Warren, Robert)

DIRECT THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP AND REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON STATEWIDE STANDARDS FOR SCHOOL FACILITIES ADEQUATE TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE BASIC EDUCATION PROGRAM. (HB 390 – Fussell – later incorporated into HB 1155, Ratified – Ch. 622)

DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE TO CONDUCT CONTINUING SALES-ASSESSMENT RATIO STUDIES. (No actual Bill on this topic recommended by Committee but Committee ideas incorporated into HB 1515, Sec. 84 and HB 1555 – Crawford, J., Ratified – Ch. 830 and 622)

Bills recommended but not introduced

AUTHORIZING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION TO STUDY SCHOOL FINANCE.

State Infrastructure Needs

The Committee made a number of recommendations but proposed no legislation for consideration by the 1987 Session.

State Investments With South African Investors

Bills recommended and introduced

PROHIBIT INVESTMENT OF RETIREMENT AND UNIVERSITY TRUST FUNDS IN CERTAIN COMPANIES INVOLVED WITH SOUTH AFRICA. (HB 164 – Michaux, Ratified – Ch. 446)

State Personnel System

Bills recommended and introduced

CONTINUE THE WORK OF THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION'S COMMITTEE ON STATE PERSONNEL. (H.J.R. 247/Stamey, S.J.R. 178/Staton; study incorporated in HB 1, Sec. 2.1(5), Ratified – Ch. 873)

PROVIDE FOR A COMPREHENSIVE STUDY OF THE STATE PERSONNEL CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM. (HB 248 – Stamey, SB 176 – Staton)

Bills recommended but not introduced

ESTABLISH A STATE EMPLOYEES OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH CLINIC PILOT PROGRAM.

Stun Guns

The Committee did not meet after the 1986 Session.

Supt. of Dept. of Public Instruction and State Board of Education

Bills recommended but not introduced

AMEND THE CONSTITUTION AND THE GENERAL STATUTES TO CHANGE THE METHOD OF SELECTING THE MEMBERS OF THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND TO MAKE THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION APPOINTIVE.

Underground Storage Tanks and Groundwater Hazards; and Water Pollution

Bills recommended and introduced

ESTABLISH THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REMEDIAL ACTION FUND. (SB 226 – Taft)

Used Tire and Waste Oil Disposal

The Committee made a number of recommendations but proposed no legislation for consideration by the 1987 Session.

Veterans Cemetery Study

Bills recommended and introduced

APPROPRIATE FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION FOR A STATE VETERANS CEMETERY OFFICE. (HB 603/Tyndall, SB 395/Martin, R.; study incorporated in HB 1, Sec. 30A.1, Ratified – Ch. 873)

Bills recommended but not introduced

CONTINUING THE LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION VETERAN CEMETERY STUDY.

Voting Machines Standardization

Bills recommended and introduced

REGULATE THE ADOPTION OF VOTING SYSTEMS BY LOCAL GOVERNMENTS. (HB 126 – Beall, Ratified – Ch. 106); SB 88 – Marvin

REQUIRE DECLARATIONS OF INTENT AND PETITIONS FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES. (HB 127 – Beall, Ratified – Ch. 393); SB 89 – Marvin

PROVIDE A SEPARATE BALLOT FOR MULTI-SEAT RACES. (HB 1008 – Beall, Ratified – Ch. 713)

Bills recommended but not introduced

BRING NORTH CAROLINA INTO COMPLIANCE WITH A COURT DECISION CONCERNING STRAIGHT-TICKET VOTING.

